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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
(Case No. 00-1278-C)

In the Application of:

Lawton et al.

Serial No. 10/054,647

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For: Compositions and Methods for Detection
of Ehrlichia Canis and Ehrlichia
Chaffeensis Antibodies

Examiner: Ford, V.

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

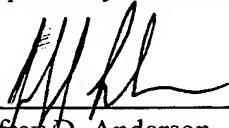
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Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In regard to the above identified application,

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